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TOTAL EMPLOYMENT SUFFERS SMALL DECLINE: From mid-September to mid-October, 1983, North Carolina's total employment sustained a slight drop of 3,800 persons (-0.1 percent) to 2,747,100. The anticipated seasonal loss of 15,500 workers (-19.0 percent) in agricultural employment was more than enough to offset the modest gains in the other main employment categories: "all other" nonagricultural employment (+3,800) and nonagricultural wage and salary employment (+7,900).

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT RISES OVER THE MONTH: Manufacturing employment in the State experienced modest net over-the-month growth of 4,400 workers (+0.6 percent) to rise to 800,300 in October, 1983. The durable goods sector accounted for 2,300 of that increase as most of its industry groups experienced gains. Furniture and fixtures displayed the largest net monthly climb, up by 900 people (+1.1 percent) due to a general increase in business. Electrical machinery followed with the addition of 700 persons (+1.3 percent). The nondurable goods sector rose by 2,100 workers over the month as all industry groups but one exhibited gains. Apparel and related products led the way in nondurables with a net monthly increase of 600 people (+0.7 percent) as orders began arriving for the new spring lines. Printing, publishing, and allied was next with a net over-the-month rise of 400 workers (+1.9 percent).

NONMANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT CONTINUES TO GROW: From the middle of September to the middle of October of this year, nonmanufacturing employment in North Carolina displayed a noticeable increase of 11,700 (+0.7 percent) for an October estimate of 1,607,600. Four of the seven industry groups enjoyed gains with the two largest being primarily seasonal in nature: trade, +3,200, and government, +6,400. Those two industries alone made up 82.1 percent of the net monthly growth in nonmanufacturing.

TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT WELL AHEAD OF LAST YEAR: The State's total manufacturing and nonmanufacturing employment in October of this year was 54,400 (+2.3 percent) above October, 1982. Manufacturing employment rose by 25,100 (+3.2 percent) as several industry groups experienced strong gains: lumber and wood, +2,300; furniture and fixtures, +3,500; textile mill products, +7,100; and apparel and related products, +4,000. Nonmanufacturing employment advanced by 29,300 (+1.9 percent) with every industry group recording worker gains. Trade (+9,500), service and miscellaneous (+7,500), and government (+6,700) were the top three.

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT INCREASES OVER THE MONTH: From the middle of September to the middle of October, 1983, total unemployment in the State rose to 222,700 - an over-the-month increase of 3,100 persons (+1.4 percent). As a result, North Carolina's unadjusted rate of unemployment edged upward from 7.4 percent in September to 7.5 percent in October. Economic conditions were not as good twelve months ago (October, 1982) when there were 267,700 jobless people and the rate was 9.0 percent. The unadjusted rates of unemployment for the United States were 8.4 percent in October, 1983, 8.8 percent in September, 1983, and 9.9 percent one year ago. The seasonally adjusted rates of unemployment for the Nation were 8.8 percent this October, 9.3 percent in September, and 10.5 percent in October of last year.

NORTH CAROLINA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE 1/

October, 1983

ITEM	NUMBER			CHANGE TO CURRENT MONTH FROM:			
	October 2/ 1983	September 3/ 1983	October 1982	September, 1983		October, 1982	
				Net	%	Net	%
Civilian Labor Force	2,969,800	2,970,500	2,962,100	- 700	*	+ 7,700	+ 0.3
Employment, Total	2,747,100	2,750,900	2,694,400	- 3,800	- 0.1	+52,700	+ 2.0
Agricultural Employment	66,100	81,600	71,100	-15,500	-19.0	- 5,000	- 7.0
Nonag. Wage & Salary Employ. 4/	2,384,700	2,376,800	2,341,700	+ 7,900	+ 0.3	+43,000	+ 1.8
All Other Nonag. Employ. 5/	296,300	292,500	281,600	+ 3,800	+ 1.3	+14,700	+ 5.2
Unemployment, Total	222,700	219,600	267,700	+ 3,100	+ 1.4	-45,000	-16.8
State Unadjusted Rate	7.5	7.4	9.0	+ 0.1	xxx	- 1.5	xxx
National Rate (Unadjusted)	8.4	8.8	9.9	- 0.4	xxx	- 1.5	xxx
(Seasonally Adjusted)	8.8	9.3	10.5	- 0.5	xxx	- 1.7	xxx

1/ All data revised to reflect 1982 benchmark revisions.
2/ Preliminary estimates.
3/ Revised estimates.
4/ Adjusted to exclude dual jobholders and the effects of worker commuting.
5/ Includes self-employed workers, unpaid family workers, and domestic workers in private households.
* Less than 0.05 percent.

BOTH HOURLY EARNINGS AND HOURS WORKED UP SLIGHTLY: The average hourly earnings of North Carolina's manufacturing production workers inched forward by 1¢ an hour (+0.1 percent) to $6.71 from the middle of September to the middle of October of this year. Since October, 1982, an increase of 32¢ an hour (+5.0 percent) has occurred in average hourly earnings. The durable goods sector also rose by just 1¢ over the month for an October figure of $6.94. Compared to one year ago, that figure represented growth of 33¢ an hour (+5.0 percent). The durable goods industry which had the largest net monthly increase was primary metals, up by 15¢ an hour (+1.9 percent) to hit $7.90. Fabricated metals was next, rising by 8¢ an hour (+1.1 percent) over the month to reach $7.48 in October. The nondurable goods sector fared only a little better with a net monthly gain of 2¢ an hour to average $6.59. That was 31¢ an hour (+4.9 percent) more han twelve months earlier. Rubber and plastic products led the way in nondurables with a net over-the-month surge of 15¢ an hour (+1.8 percent) to rise to $8.42. Paper and allied products followed with a net monthly gain of 5¢ an hour (+0.5 percent) to climb to $10.43 in October of this year. The average weekly earnings of the State's manufacturing production employees enjoyed a modest rise of $1.08 (+0.4 percent) to $275.78 from mid-September to mid-October, 1983. That was $29.76 (+12.1 percent) above the average in October, 1982. Average weekly hours, which stood at 41.1 in October, 1983, were up by 0.1 of an hour over the month and by 2.6 hours over the year.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

October, 1983

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	October 1983 (Thous.)	September 1983 (Thous.)	October 1982 (Thous.)	September 1983	October 1982
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2407.9	2391.8	2353.5	+ 0.7	+ 2.3
MANUFACTURING	800.3	795.9	775.2	+ 0.6	+ 3.2
DURABLE GOODS	302.3	300.0	288.2	+ 0.8	+ 4.9
Lumber & Wood Products	33.7	33.8	31.4	- 0.3	+ 7.3
Sawmills & Planing Mills	12.2	12.2	11.5	0	+ 6.1
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	8.2	8.2	7.5	0	+ 9.3
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	4.3	4.2	3.3	+ 2.4	+ 30.3
Furniture & Fixtures	82.8	81.9	79.3	+ 1.1	+ 4.4
Household Furniture	74.3	73.4	70.6	+ 1.2	+ 5.2
Wood Household Furniture	38.8	38.5	37.3	+ 0.8	+ 4.0
Upholstered Household Furniture	30.5	30.4	28.5	+ 0.3	+ 7.0
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	17.6	17.5	15.6	+ 0.6	+ 12.8
Structural Clay Products	2.3	2.3	1.9	0	+ 21.1
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	4.8	4.8	4.2	0	+ 14.3
Primary Metal Industries	8.9	8.8	8.3	+ 1.1	+ 7.2
Fabricated Metal Products	23.4	23.4	24.0	0	- 2.5
Fab. Structural Metal Products	9.1	9.2	10.0	- 1.1	- 9.0
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	51.1	50.6	49.5	+ 1.0	+ 3.2
Special Industry Machinery	6.8	6.7	6.6	+ 1.5	+ 3.0
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	53.4	52.7	51.3	+ 1.3	+ 4.1
Household Appliances	6.1	6.1	5.8	0	+ 5.2
Transportation Equipment	16.4	16.4	14.4	0	+ 13.9
Other Durable Goods 2/	15.0	14.9	14.4	+ 0.7	+ 4.2
NONDURABLE GOODS	498.0	495.9	487.0	+ .4	+ 2.3
Food & Kindred Products	43.1	43.3	43.2	- 0.5	- 0.2
Meat Products	17.1	16.8	16.9	+ 1.8	+ 1.2
Meat Packing Plants	2.8	2.7	2.6	+ 3.7	+ 7.7
Dairy Products	2.8	2.9	2.9	- 3.4	- 3.4
Grain Mill Products	2.4	2.4	2.5	0	- 4.0
Bakery Products	7.9	7.9	7.7	0	+ 2.6
Beverages	6.6	6.6	6.6	0	0
Tobacco Manufacturers	25.8	25.5	27.0	+ 1.2	- 4.4
Cigarettes	18.3	18.4	19.3	- 0.5	- 5.2
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	6.9	6.4	7.0	+ 7.8	- 1.4
Textile Mill Products	227.6	227.4	220.5	+ 0.09	+ 3.2
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	65.5	65.3	64.0	+ 0.3	+ 2.3
Weaving Mills, Cotton	34.6	34.4	34.0	+ 0.6	+ 1.8
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	30.6	30.6	29.8	0	+ 2.7
Knitting Mills	77.4	77.3	73.5	+ 0.1	+ 5.3
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	23.8	23.7	21.6	+ 0.4	+ 10.2
Hosiery, NEC	21.7	21.9	21.2	- 0.9	+ 2.4
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	15.9	15.8	15.0	+ 0.6	+ 6.0
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.6	6.6	6.2	0	+ 6.5
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	15.5	15.6	14.7	- 0.6	+ 5.4
Yarn & Thread Mills	56.2	56.3	55.6	- 0.2	+ 1.1

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

October, 1983

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	October 1983 (Thous.)	September 1983 (Thous.)	October 1982 (Thous.)	September 1983	October 1982
Apparel & Other Textile Products	89.9	89.3	85.9	+ 0.7	+ 4.7
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	27.4	27.4	26.8	0	+ 2.2
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	43.8	43.5	41.8	+ 0.7	+ 4.8
Paper & Allied Products	22.0	21.8	21.7	+ 0.9	+ 1.4
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.7	10.7	10.9	0	- 1.8
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	6.7	6.5	6.3	+ 3.1	+ 6.3
Printing & Publishing	21.6	21.2	21.1	+ 1.9	+ 2.4
Newspapers	8.7	8.6	8.2	+ 1.2	+ 6.1
Chemicals & Allied Products	36.3	36.0	35.7	+ 0.8	+ 1.7
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.6	13.6	13.8	0	- 1.4
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	26.3	26.0	25.6	+ 1.2	+ 2.7
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	5.4	5.4	6.3	0	- 14.3
NONMANUFACTURING	1607.6	1595.9	1578.3	+ 0.7	+ 1.9
MINING	4.9	4.9	4.6	0	+ 6.5
CONSTRUCTION	106.4	106.4	103.4	0	+ 2.9
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	116.3	115.6	115.8	+ 0.6	+ 0.4
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	57.3	56.5	56.1	+ 1.4	+ 2.1
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	53.6	53.8	54.2	- 0.4	+ 1.1
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	492.7	489.5	483.2	+ 0.7	+ 2.0
Wholesale Trade	129.1	128.2	129.1	+ 0.7	0
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	74.0	73.8	71.9	+ 0.3	+ 2.9
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	55.1	54.4	57.2	+ 1.3	- 3.7
Retail Trade	363.6	361.3	354.1	+ 0.6	+ 2.7
General Merchandise Stores	54.4	53.6	52.8	+ 1.5	+ 3.0
Variety Stores	14.2	13.7	12.9	+ 3.6	+ 10.1
Food Stores	59.7	59.5	58.6	+ 0.3	+ 1.9
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	100.2	100.2	98.4	0	+ 1.8
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	372.5	371.1	365.0	+ 0.4	+ 2.1
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	21.9	21.7	20.5	+ 0.9	+ 6.8
Personal Services	23.1	23.0	22.4	+ 0.4	+ 3.1
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	10.0	10.0	10.0	0	0
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	414.6	408.2	407.9	+ 1.6	+ 1.6
Federal	49.5	49.6	48.8	- 0.2	+ 1.4
State	124.5	119.6	122.5	+ 4.1	+ 1.6
Education	66.1	60.8	64.9	+ 8.7	+ 1.8
Other	58.4	58.8	57.6	- 0.7	+ 1.4
Local	240.6	239.0	236.6	+ 0.7	+ 1.7
Education	139.2	137.1	135.8	+ 1.5	+ 2.5
Other	101.4	101.9	100.8	- 0.5	+ 0.6

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

October, 1983

(Seasonally Adjusted)

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	October 1983 (Thous.)	September 1983 (Thous.)	October 1982 (Thous.)	September 1983	October 1982
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2383.5	2373.5	2328.7	+ 0.4	+ 2.4
MANUFACTURING	795.4	791.2	769.9	+ 0.5	+ 3.3
DURABLE GOODS	301.2	299.6	286.9	+ 0.5	+ 5.0
Lumber & Wood Products	33.5	33.5	31.2	0	+ 7.4
Sawmills & Planing Mills	12.3	12.1	11.6	+ 1.7	+ 6.0
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	8.2	8.1	7.5	+ 1.2	+ 9.3
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	4.2	4.1	3.2	+ 2.4	+ 31.2
Furniture & Fixtures	82.6	82.1	79.0	+ 0.6	+ 4.6
Household Furniture	74.1	73.5	70.4	+ 0.8	+ 5.3
Wood Household Furniture	38.6	38.6	37.1	0	+ 4.0
Upholstered Household Furniture	30.5	30.4	28.5	+ 0.3	+ 7.0
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	17.6	17.3	15.6	+ 1.7	+ 12.8
Structural Clay Products	2.3	2.2	1.9	+ 4.5	+ 21.1
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	4.8	4.7	4.2	+ 2.1	+ 14.3
Primary Metal Industries	8.9	8.8	8.3	+ 1.1	+ 7.2
Fabricated Metal Products	23.2	23.3	23.8	- 0.4	- 2.5
Fab. Structural Metal Products	9.0	9.1	9.9	- 1.1	- 9.1
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	51.3	50.8	49.6	+ 0.8	+ 3.4
Special Industry Machinery	6.8	6.7	6.6	+ 1.5	+ 3.0
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	52.8	52.4	50.7	+ 0.8	+ 4.1
Household Appliances	5.6	5.6	5.3	0	+ 5.7
Transportation Equipment	16.4	16.5	14.4	- 0.6	+ 13.9
Other Durable Goods 2/	14.9	14.9	14.3	0	+ 4.2
NONDURABLE GOODS	494.2	491.6	483.0	+ 0.5	+ 2.3
Food & Kindred Products	42.6	42.8	42.7	- 0.5	- 0.2
Meat Products	17.1	16.8	16.9	+ 1.8	+ 1.2
Meat Packing Plants	2.8	2.7	2.6	+ 3.7	+ 7.7
Dairy Products	2.8	2.9	2.9	- 3.4	- 3.4
Grain Mill Products	2.4	2.4	2.5	0	- 4.0
Bakery Products	7.9	7.8	7.7	+ 1.3	+ 2.6
Beverages	6.7	6.6	6.7	+ 1.5	0
Tobacco Manufacturers	22.9	22.7	23.9	+ 0.9	- 4.2
Cigarettes	18.5	18.5	19.5	0	- 5.1
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	4.0	3.7	4.1	+ 8.1	- 2.4
Textile Mill Products	227.6	227.4	220.5	+ 0.1	+ 3.2
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	65.8	65.6	64.3	+ 0.3	+ 2.3
Weaving Mills, Cotton	34.8	34.7	34.2	+ 0.3	+ 1.8
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	30.7	30.4	29.9	+ 1.0	+ 2.7
Knitting Mills	77.7	77.2	73.8	+ 0.6	+ 5.3
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	23.9	23.8	21.7	+ 0.4	+ 10.1
Hosiery, NEC	21.7	21.9	21.2	- 0.9	+ 2.4
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	16.0	15.9	15.1	+ 0.6	+ 6.0
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.7	6.5	6.3	+ 3.1	+ 6.3
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	15.3	15.7	14.6	- 2.5	+ 4.8
Yarn & Thread Mills	55.9	56.4	55.3	- 0.9	+ 1.1

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

October, 1983

(Seasonally Adjusted)

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	October 1983 (Thous.)	September 1983 (Thous.)	October 1982 (Thous.)	September 1983	October 1982
Apparel & Other Textile Products	89.2	88.2	85.2	+ 1.1	+ 4.7
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	27.3	27.0	26.7	+ 1.1	+ 2.2
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	43.6	43.2	41.6	+ 0.9	+ 4.8
Paper & Allied Products	22.0	21.8	21.7	+ 0.9	+ 1.4
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.7	10.7	6.3	0	+ 69.8
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	6.7	6.6	8.2	+ 1.5	- 18.3
Printing & Publishing	21.7	21.4	21.2	+ 1.4	+ 2.4
Newspapers	8.7	8.7	8.2	0	+ 6.1
Chemicals & Allied Products	36.6	36.1	36.0	+ 1.4	+ 1.7
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.7	13.8	13.9	- 0.7	- 1.4
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	26.1	25.7	25.4	+ 1.6	+ 2.8
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	5.5	5.5	6.4	0	- 14.1
NONMANUFACTURING	1588.1	1582.3	1558.8	+ 0.4	+ 1.9
MINING	4.9	4.9	4.6	0	+ 6.5
CONSTRUCTION	104.5	103.5	101.5	+ 1.0	+ 3.0
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	115.6	115.0	115.1	+ 0.5	+ 0.4
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	56.3	55.7	55.1	+ 1.1	+ 2.2
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	53.8	53.9	54.4	- 0.2	- 1.1
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	486.2	484.8	476.6	+ 0.3	+ 2.0
Wholesale Trade	125.8	125.3	125.7	+ 0.4	+ 0.1
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	74.0	73.9	71.9	+ 0.1	+ 2.9
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	51.8	51.4	53.8	+ 0.8	+ 3.7
Retail Trade	360.4	359.5	350.9	+ 0.3	+ 2.7
General Merchandise Stores	54.3	54.4	52.7	- 0.2	- 3.0
Variety Stores	14.0	13.8	12.7	+ 1.4	+ 10.2
Food Stores	59.2	59.0	58.1	+ 0.3	+ 1.9
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	100.7	100.4	98.7	+ 0.3	+ 2.0
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	370.6	367.8	363.1	+ 0.8	+ 2.1
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	21.3	20.5	20.0	+ 3.9	+ 6.5
Personal Services	23.5	23.4	22.8	+ 0.4	+ 3.1
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	10.0	10.0	10.0	0	0
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	405.6	405.9	399.2	- 0.1	+ 1.6
Federal	49.9	49.8	49.2	+ 0.2	+ 1.4
State	120.7	120.7	118.8	0	+ 1.6
Education	62.2	61.5	61.1	+ 1.1	+ 1.8
Other	58.2	59.2	57.7	- 1.2	+ 1.4
Local	235.0	235.4	231.2	- 0.2	+ 1.6
Education	132.4	132.7	129.2	- 0.2	+ 2.5
Other	102.6	102.7	102.0	- 0.1	+ 0.6

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

OCTOBER, 1983

INDUSTRY	NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS (Thous.)			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	October 1983	September 1983	October 1982	September 1983	October 1982
MANUFACTURING	641.4	637.5	615.6	+ 0.6	+ 4.2
DURABLE GOODS	230.8	228.9	216.6	+ 0.8	+ 6.6
Lumber & Wood Products	29.3	29.4	27.1	- 0.3	+ 8.1
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.3	7.2	6.6	+ 1.4	+ 10.6
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.7	3.7	2.7	0	+ 37.0
Furniture & Fixtures	73.9	73.0	70.3	+ 1.2	+ 5.1
Household Furniture	67.1	66.2	63.3	+ 1.4	+ 6.0
Wood Household Furniture	35.9	35.5	34.3	+ 1.1	+ 4.7
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	14.3	14.1	12.4	+ 1.4	+ 15.3
Structural Clay Products	1.8	1.8	1.4	0	+ 28.6
Primary Metal Industries	6.5	6.4	5.9	+ 1.6	+ 10.2
Fabricated Metal Products	17.0	17.1	17.4	- 0.6	- 2.3
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	26.3	26.0	25.3	+ 1.2	+ 4.0
Special Industry Machinery	4.5	4.4	4.3	+ 2.3	+ 4.7
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	38.3	37.8	35.9	+ 1.3	+ 6.7
Household Appliances	5.5	5.4	5.2	+ 1.9	+ 5.8
Transportation Equipment	13.3	13.2	11.2	+ 0.8	+ 18.8
NONDURABLE GOODS	410.6	408.6	399.0	+ 0.5	+ 2.9
Food & Kindred Products	29.2	29.4	29.4	- 0.7	- 0.7
Meat Products	14.7	14.4	14.5	+ 2.1	+ 1.4
Meat Packing	2.0	2.0	1.9	0	+ 5.3
Dairy Products	1.5	1.6	1.5	- 6.2	0
Grain Mill Products	1.6	1.6	1.6	0	0
Bakery Products	4.5	4.5	4.4	0	+ 2.3
Beverages	2.6	2.6	2.6	0	0
Tobacco Manufacturers	21.4	21.0	22.5	+ 1.9	- 4.9
Cigarettes	14.7	14.7	15.5	0	- 5.2
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	6.1	5.7	6.4	+ 7.0	- 4.7
Textile Mill Products	203.4	203.2	195.4	+ 0.1	+ 4.1
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	59.6	59.4	57.1	+ 0.3	+ 4.4
Weaving Mills, Cotton	31.5	31.2	30.3	+ 1.0	+ 4.0
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	28.0	28.1	26.7	- 0.4	+ 4.9
Knitting Mills	67.9	67.9	64.2	0	+ 5.8
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	21.0	20.8	19.0	+ 1.0	+ 10.5
Hosiery, NEC	20.0	20.2	19.5	- 1.0	+ 2.6
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.7	13.5	12.7	+ 1.5	+ 7.9
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	5.7	5.7	5.2	0	+ 9.6
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	13.1	13.1	12.3	0	+ 6.5
Yarn & Thread Mills	51.8	51.8	51.1	0	+ 1.4
Apparel & Other Textile Products	77.8	77.2	74.1	+ 0.8	+ 5.0
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	23.5	23.5	23.0	0	+ 2.2
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	38.0	37.7	36.1	+ 0.8	+ 5.3
Paper & Allied Products	16.8	16.6	16.5	+ 1.2	+ 1.8
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	7.8	7.9	8.0	- 1.3	- 2.5
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	5.2	5.1	4.9	+ 2.0	+ 6.1
Printing & Publishing	12.9	12.6	12.8	+ 2.4	+ 0.8
Newspapers	3.3	3.3	3.1	0	+ 6.5
Chemicals & Allied Products	23.7	23.4	22.7	+ 1.3	+ 4.4
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	9.6	9.5	9.3	+ 1.1	+ 3.2
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	20.8	20.6	20.2	+ 1.0	+ 3.0
Other Nondurable Goods 2/	4.6	4.6	5.4	0	- 14.8

1/ Current data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products

Note: From April, 1981, through March, 1982, "Other Nondurable Goods" was included in "Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products."

ESTIMATED AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS AND AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS
OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES
AND NONSUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES IN SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES 1/
October, 1983

INDUSTRY	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	October 1983	September 1983	October 1982	October 1983	September 1983	October 1982	October 1983	September 1983	October 1982
MANUFACTURING	$275.78	$274.70	$246.02	41.1	41.0	38.5	$ 6.71	$ 6.70	$ 6.39
DURABLE GOODS	287.32	284.82	251.84	41.4	41.1	38.1	6.94	6.93	6.61
Lumber & Wood Products	237.89	238.05	212.85	41.3	41.4	38.7	5.76	5.75	5.50
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	236.02	231.28	198.01	41.7	41.3	36.2	5.66	5.60	5.47
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	275.37	276.81	240.79	41.1	41.5	38.1	6.70	6.67	6.32
Furniture & Fixtures	245.23	238.98	207.43	40.4	39.5	36.2	6.07	6.05	5.73
Household Furniture	245.63	239.79	205.98	40.6	39.7	36.2	6.05	6.04	5.69
Wood Household Furniture	239.78	231.60	203.68	41.2	40.0	37.1	5.82	5.79	5.49
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	316.50	316.92	291.51	42.2	42.2	40.6	7.50	7.51	7.18
Structural Clay Products	252.88	256.61	225.03	42.5	43.2	40.4	5.95	5.94	5.57
Primary Metal Industries	342.07	338.68	287.73	43.3	43.7	39.2	7.90	7.75	7.34
Fabricated Metal Products	319.40	304.88	279.82	42.7	41.2	39.3	7.48	7.40	7.12
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	335.86	341.23	308.07	42.3	42.6	39.7	7.94	8.01	7.76
Special Industry Machinery	312.17	302.58	271.81	42.3	41.0	38.5	7.38	7.38	7.06
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	332.22	329.80	294.53	42.0	41.8	38.5	7.91	7.89	7.65
Household Appliances	260.71	272.25	235.76	42.6	43.7	40.3	6.12	6.23	5.85
Transportation Equipment	316.23	321.06	278.82	41.5	42.3	38.3	7.62	7.59	7.28
NONDURABLE GOODS	269.53	269.37	243.04	40.9	41.0	38.7	6.59	6.57	6.28
Food & Kindred Products	252.32	255.23	233.23	40.5	41.1	39.8	6.23	6.21	5.86
Meat Products	210.76	209.82	191.90	38.6	39.0	38.0	5.46	5.38	5.05
Meat Packing	327.68	323.51	328.53	42.5	42.4	42.5	7.71	7.63	7.73
Dairy Products	253.86	263.16	247.21	42.1	43.0	41.9	6.03	6.12	5.90
Grain Mill Products	299.44	303.52	291.15	44.1	44.9	45.0	6.79	6.76	6.47
Bakery Products	273.24	276.81	263.53	41.4	41.5	41.5	6.60	6.67	6.35
Beverages	453.79	473.22	395.51	44.1	46.9	42.3	10.29	10.09	9.35
Tobacco Manufacturers	388.83	391.93	385.82	39.0	38.2	40.4	9.97	10.26	9.55
Cigarettes	474.35	478.75	467.06	38.1	38.3	38.6	12.45	12.50	12.10
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	187.46	175.26	193.09	41.2	38.1	44.8	4.55	4.60	4.31
Textile Mill Products	254.56	254.33	219.65	41.8	41.9	38.4	6.09	6.07	5.72
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	284.14	282.44	240.09	42.6	42.6	38.6	6.67	6.63	6.22
Weaving Mills, Cotton	285.05	282.44	237.84	42.8	42.6	38.3	6.66	6.63	6.21
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	282.14	282.01	241.96	42.3	42.6	38.9	6.67	6.62	6.22
Knitting Mills	223.34	226.73	203.52	39.6	40.2	37.9	5.64	5.64	5.37
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	200.03	211.58	189.44	37.6	39.4	47.0	5.32	5.37	5.12
Hosiery, NEC	209.44	211.46	198.44	38.5	38.8	37.3	5.44	5.45	5.32
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	266.98	261.99	234.72	43.2	42.6	40.4	6.18	6.15	5.81
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	268.18	267.84	218.82	42.5	43.2	36.9	6.31	6.20	5.93
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	271.13	271.15	241.40	42.9	42.7	40.3	6.32	6.35	5.99
Yarn & Thread Mills	250.69	247.35	208.03	43.0	42.5	38.1	5.83	5.82	5.46
Apparel & Other Textile Products	187.11	185.37	171.76	38.5	38.3	36.7	4.86	4.84	4.68
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	175.37	180.44	165.20	35.5	36.6	35.3	4.94	4.93	4.68
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	181.27	178.01	167.35	38.9	38.2	36.7	4.66	4.66	4.56
Paper & Allied Products	465.18	470.21	441.81	44.6	45.3	43.4	10.43	10.38	10.18
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	587.19	562.73	550.24	46.9	45.9	46.2	12.52	12.26	11.91
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	327.97	346.14	283.27	44.5	46.4	40.7	7.37	7.46	6.96
Printing & Publishing	283.12	296.82	272.42	37.8	38.8	38.1	7.49	7.65	7.15
Newspapers	262.48	264.11	257.13	34.0	34.3	34.7	7.72	7.70	7.41
Chemicals & Allied Products	368.21	367.33	343.85	41.7	41.6	40.5	8.83	8.83	8.49
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	416.99	413.22	380.66	42.9	42.6	40.8	9.72	9.70	9.33
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	364.59	355.61	308.44	43.3	43.0	38.7	8.42	8.27	7.97
MINING	300.12	281.74	279.19	41.0	38.7	41.3	7.32	7.28	6.76
COMM. & ELEC., GAS, & SANITARY SERVS.	430.35	427.04	402.05	41.3	41.5	40.9	10.42	10.29	9.83
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	192.86	194.69	196.65	33.6	33.8	34.2	5.74	5.76	5.75
Wholesale Trade	275.22	276.19	263.70	39.6	39.4	39.3	6.95	7.01	6.71
Retail Trade	166.74	168.64	168.00	31.7	32.0	32.0	5.26	5.27	5.25
General Merchandise Stores	145.74	147.14	144.29	30.3	30.4	30.7	4.81	4.84	4.70
Variety Stores	118.93	121.45	2/	31.8	32.3	2/	3.74	3.76	2/
Food Stores	190.57	192.40	183.28	32.3	32.5	31.6	5.90	5.92	5.80
SERVICES, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	123.49	121.25	125.42	29.9	29.5	31.2	4.13	4.11	4.02
Laund., Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	171.72	167.65	164.97	35.7	35.0	35.1	4.81	4.79	4.70

1/ Current month data are preliminary.
2/ Information not available.